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Applicants sought for teaching assistant positions in Japan

MADISON—Young college graduates and seasoned educators interested in teaching English in Japan can apply to work as an English language assistant in the Chiba-Wisconsin Assistant Language Teacher Program. The application deadline is Feb. 8.

The Chiba Board of Education is looking for young adults who will assist with English instruction in its junior and senior high schools. The positions are open to anyone who holds a bachelor's degree or who will have a degree by May 31, 2008. Applicants are not required to have teaching certificates or teaching experience.

The Assistant Language Teacher position is salaried, including assistance with housing, transportation, and health insurance for seven applicants who are from Wisconsin or have graduated from a Wisconsin college or university. The one-year contract with the Chiba Board of Education begins Aug. 1, 2008, and ends July 31, 2009. Renewal of the contract for a second or third year may be possible.

Those interested in the teaching assistant positions in Chiba should request application materials from Pam Delfosse, Department of Public Instruction, P.O. Box 7841, Madison, WI 53707-7841; (608) 266-3079; FAX (608) 266-1965; pamela.delfosse@dpi.state.wi.us. The application also is available for download at http://dpi.wi.gov/cal/wlcjflyer.html.

Completed applications must be received in Japan by Feb. 8 and sent to Chiba-Wisconsin ALT Program, Supervisors Division, Chiba Prefectural Agency of Public Instruction, 1-1 Ichiba-cho Chuo-Ku, Chiba-ken, Japan 260-8662; telephone 011-81-43-223-4058; fax 011-81-43-221-6580.

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